# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# CIVIL AVIATION
# LOK SABHA

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TRANSPORTATION OF CARGO BY AIR
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**Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the transporation of cargo by air has increased in the country after the introduction of special cargo planes on international and domestic routes;

(b) if so, the details of cargo transportation through aeroplanes during the last three financial years;

(c) whether the Government has any information regarding the study conducted by Associated Chambers of Commerce and Industries of India (ASSOCHAM) in respect of comparative increase in cargo by air vis-a-vis railways and shipping during the last three years; and

(d) if so, the details of the percentage increase in international and domestic cargo?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION ( SHRI PRAFUL PATEL )

(a)&(b):- The total Cargo handled (international & domestic in tonnes) during 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 was 1278472 MT, 1397302 MT and 1550906 MT respectively.

(c):- Yes, Sir.

(d):- The air cargo has grown by about 19 per cent as against 10.3 per cent and 9.2 per cent of growth in shipping and railways cargo respectively during the last three years. The total cargo traffic of all airports has increased from 15.6 percent in year 2005-06 to 21.5 percent in 2006-07 recording a compound annual growth rate of 9.5 percent for the last six years.